



WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT
OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
FINAL DETERMINATION OF
NON-SIGNIFICANCE
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State of Washington
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Name of Proposal: SKAGIT COUNTY DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #17

Description of Proposal: Conduct routine maintenance of drainage infrastructure within the jurisdictional boundary of the Drainage and Irrigation District consistent with the provisions and elements of the attached Drainage Maintenance Agreement and Drainage Maintenance Plan which were developed collaboratively and cooperatively between the duly elected Commissioners of the District and WDFW, and in consultation with the Skagit River System Cooperative.

The following types of drainage maintenance activities are considered typical of work necessary to routinely maintain the watercourses that comprise the District's drainage infrastructure.

- ._ Trash Racks - Maintenance/repair, Debris removal and Replacement
- ._ Pump Facilities - Maintenance/repair, Debris removal and Replacement
- ._ Culverts - Maintenance/repair, Debris removal and Replacement
- ._ Flood Gates - Maintenance/repair, Debris removal and Replacement
- ._ Tide Gates - Maintenance/repair, Debris removal and Replacement
- ._ Channel In-water Bucket Mowing - Channel maintenance
- ._ Channel Out-of-Water Mowing - Channel Maintenance
- ._ Dredging - Channel maintenance and Debris removal
- ._ Bridges – Installation, Replacement, Maintenance/repair and Debris removal

Proponent:

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

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And

Skagit County Drainage And Irrigation District #17

Attention: Keith Morrison, 19486 E. Johnson Road, Mount Vernon, Washington 98274

Location of Proposal, including street, if any: Skagit County Drainage And Irrigation District #17, is located within the Skagit River Delta of Skagit County south of the City of Mount Vernon and north of Stanwood. Refer to the attached Drainage Management Plan for location maps. Sections: 05,06,08,17,18,19,20, 30,31 Township: 33N, Range 04E WM

Sections: 31,32, Township: 34N, Range 04E WM

Lead Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of the completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will **not act on this proposal for 14 days** from the date of issue below. Comments must be submitted by: **August 19, 2005**

Project Attachments are on CD accompanying this DNS.

Responsible Official: Teresa A. Eturaspe

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DATE OF ISSUE: August 5, 2005 **SIGNATURE:** 

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